Technical Cybersecurity

The Middle Ages

Awareness and Fear

HACKING HAS BECOME POPULAR

‣ Counterculture, intelligence, complexity, opaque

‣ Smart, disaffected kids learning how systems work

‣ Pushing boundaries, breaking things

EXECUTIVES & REPRESENTATIVES ARE CLUELESS

‣ They just don't know how this stuff works and don't know who to talk to to figure it out

WHY KIDS? WHY NOT ADULTS?

‣ The adults in the know have mortgages & jobs, and like them!

Collectives & Heroes

HACKER GROUPS ARE STARTING TO FORM

‣ CDC, MOD, LOD, CCC

‣ These groups have a huge effect on hacking as a practice

HACKER MEDIA STARTS TO APPEAR

‣ Phrack, 2600

Criminality Emerging

KEVIN MITNICK

- ‣ DEC, Pacific Bell, others

IAN MURPHY

- ‣ AT&T in 1981, resetting rate time cycles

2600 BBS SEIZURE

- ‣ BBS ops arrested for complicity in computer theft

We start to see the modern security landscape forming.